Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment

We have prepared a draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA). The draft PEA identifies and examines the reasonable alternatives and assesses their potential environmental impact.

Our preferred alternative is to use the IAS to protect personnel, ships, and property from sabotage or other subversive acts. The IAS consists of five primary components: A land-based sonar, a portable (vessel mounted) sonar, a data processor, a vehicle guidance system, and an underwater loud hailer. Use of the IAS would be limited to existing harbor infrastructure and adjacent waters. The IAS is not designed or intended for use offshore.

The system would be used for specific and finite periods of time to protect specific assets. During these times, the sonar would be operated and monitored continuously. The loud hailer would be used only if an actual threat was identified.

Recently, the Coast Guard completed environmental assessments (EAs) that address the impact of IAS deployment and operation in Galveston Bay, TX and San Pedro Bay, CA. The result of these EAs was a finding of no significant impact. The Coast Guard also engaged in informal consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service pursuant to the section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, which resulted in a determination that deployment and operation of the IAS in Galveston Bay, TX and San Pedro Bay, CA is not likely to adversely affect threatened or endangered species or critical habitat, nor is it likely to result in the take of marine mammals in those bays. Similarly, there was no evidence to suggest that IAS deployment and operation would adversely affect essential fish habitat or have an impact on coastal uses and resources.

We are requesting your comments on environmental concerns you may have related to the PEA. This includes suggesting analyses and methodologies for use in the PEA or possible sources of data or information not included in the PEA. Your comments will be considered in preparing the final PEA.

Kevin G. Quigley,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Office of Defense Operations.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

Meeting of the Office of Boating Safety’s Recreational Boating Safety Strategic Planning Panel

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard’s Office of Boating Safety is sponsoring a panel of representatives of the recreational boating community to discuss strategic planning goals, objectives and strategies that the Coast Guard may use to improve recreational boating safety. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will occur on Monday and Tuesday, October 17 and 18, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will occur at the Holiday Inn National Airport, 2650 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. This notice is available on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov and at http://uscgboating.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dionca Williams, Administrative Assistant, Office of Boating Safety, U.S. Coast Guard telephone 202–267–1077, fax 202–267–4285. If you have questions on viewing material in the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, Department of Transportation, telephone 202–493–0402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the 2004 Fall meeting of the National Boating Safety Advisory Council (NBSAC), the Office of Boating Safety proposed to assemble a Goal-Setting Recommendation Panel. NBSAC endorsed this proposal. To facilitate this, the Coast Guard invited representatives of the recreational boating community to participate on this panel.

The Coast Guard held the meeting on February 8 and 9, 2005 at the Crystal City Sheraton Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, in Arlington, VA. The panel considered, analyzed, and proposed recreational boating safety performance goals that can be supported by the government, industry, and the boating public. A representative of the panel presented its conclusions at the April 2005 NBSAC meeting. Minutes of the panel’s February 2005 meeting may be obtained from the person listed above under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

A professional facilitator will moderate the second meeting. The panel will further consider, analyze, and propose recreational boating safety objectives and strategies that can be supported by the government, industry, and the boating public. A representative of the panel will present its conclusions at the November 2005 NBSAC meeting. We will also prepare minutes of the second meeting. You may obtain them from the person listed above under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

Procedural

The meeting is open to the public. Please note that the meeting may close early if all business is finished.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION as soon as possible.

Dated: September 26, 2005.

James M. Hass,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Acting Director of Operations Policy.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection

Notice of Cancellation of Customs Broker License


ACTION: General Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 641 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, (19 U.S.C. 1641) and the Customs Regulations (19 CFR 111.51), the following Customs broker licenses are cancelled without prejudice.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–4975–N–32]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Housing Finance Agency Risk-Sharing Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Housing Finance Agency Risk-Sharing Program.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502–0500.